

SENATOR SHERMAN RAKES FORD AGAIN

Asserts Automobile Manufacturer Has Reared "Financial Moloch."

CALLS HIS CAR A PEST
Bitter Partisan Debate Takes Place in Senate on Newberry Case.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Bitter partisan debate on the fraud charges against Senator Newberry (Mich.) was provoked to-day by Senator Sherman (Ill.) continuing his attacks on Henry Ford.

Setting himself up as "one of those persons who knew everything instantaneously from birth," Senator Sherman said Mr. Ford had reared "a financial Moloch," had secured Congressional aid in acquiring and improving land for private purposes, and had enlisted the services of the Federal Government in promoting his political interests in Michigan, while his son Edsel was making good his escape from the military draft.

"And I may say," added the Senator, "that I regard the Ford automobile as an international pest. It destroys more useful material than any other machine in the world. It is a waste of time and substance."

The Illinois Senator was taken to task sharply by Senators Stanley of Kentucky and Walcott of Delaware, both Democrats, who declared he violated Senatorial decorum, the latter charging that Mr. Sherman had been "addressing a jury in Michigan" for which he would have been in contempt of court if done in that State.

Senator Sherman declared Ford had acquired 2,000 acres of land along the Detroit River in Michigan in 1917 for a new plant and then had induced Congress to appropriate \$400,000 for the river's improvement, in order to give right of eminent domain by which the joining land might be condemned. He said the courts had made "this great philanthropist" double the price he had purposed paying to the estate of a minor child for one tract of land.

"The Government at best," he continued, "has become a philanthropic institution for the benefit of Mr. Ford. It continually is engaged in promoting his interests financially and politically."

The Senator declared Ford had found the Federal Government machinery inadequate, however, in prosecuting the Michigan Senatorial case, and that "literally hundreds of Ford's private agents" were swarming about the Grand Rapids trial, "scrutinizing every brook and corner within a hundred miles of the court room."

"Mr. Ford is as devoid of a sense of right and wrong as a beast of the jungle," he said. "He proposes to crush and destroy all who raise their voice against him."

PRINCETON EXPECTS 1,000 'GRADS' AT FETE

War Memorial Dedication to Be Feature of Exercises.

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 19.—The celebration of Princeton's annual Alumni Day next Saturday will include the university's first mid-year commencement as well as the dedication of the new memorial room in Nassau hall. It is expected that more than 1,000 graduates will be present. The programme will open with the graduating exercises of men who have returned to college from military and naval service. Eighty of these students will receive their diplomas in the faculty room in Nassau hall.

Ambrose G. Todd, '84, chairman of the National Alumni Association, will preside at the annual alumni meeting which is to follow. Reports will be submitted by the regional chairmen of the \$14,000,000 endowment fund and by Henry B. Thompson, chairman of the committee.

John Greir Hibben, the president, will be the principal speaker at the annual alumni luncheon. In the afternoon the alumni will attend the Yale-Princeton basketball game. The memorial room in Nassau hall will be dedicated at 5 o'clock. President Hibben and Franklin W. O'Dier, Princeton '96, commander of the American Legion, will speak at the memorial association dinner which is to follow. Reports will be submitted by the regional chairmen of the \$14,000,000 endowment fund and by Henry B. Thompson, chairman of the committee.

"SING SING BULLETIN" IS OUT.
Newspaper Publication Issued With Chapin as Editor.

The first number of the Sing Sing Bulletin, a renamed combination of Sing Sing Prison's three earlier publications, the Mutual Welfare Bulletin, Star of Hope and Star Bulletin, came off the press yesterday and will be placed on sale to-day. Charles E. Chapin, formerly a newspaper man here, as editor, directed the preparation of the first issue.

The Bulletin, it is said, contains many of the regular departments of a metropolitan afternoon newspaper and is well written throughout. Under Chapin's direction the paper has been filled with news of the prison.

YALE TO INCREASE SALARIES.
Assistant Professors and Instructors Affected.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 19.—The Yale Corporation has voted to authorize President Hadley to announce that further increases in salaries of assistant professors and instructors at Yale University will be made, dating from July 1, 1920.

The exact amount of the increases over the advance made last spring will not be known until after consideration of the entire university budget for the year 1920-1921.

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PRISONERS WILL NOT SEE O'BRIEN HANGED

Chicago Sheriff Gives Up Public Execution Idea.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Prisoners in the Cook county jail will not witness the hanging to-morrow of "Smiling Jack" O'Brien, 21 year old gunman, convicted of murdering a policeman.

Sheriff Peters announced to-day that he would remove prisoners from the death corridor, following notice from Matthew Miller, Assistant Attorney-General, and State's Attorney Maday that he would be prosecuted if he carried out his plans for a public hanging.

OAKMAN NEVER GOT NEWBERRY \$20,000

Detroit Political Leader May Have Been "Kidding," Says Witness.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 19.—Whether Milton Oakman, Detroit political leader, was "kidding" or "kidding" when he told Chase S. Osborn, Detroit campaign manager that the Newberry committee promised him \$20,000 for his support of the junior Michigan Senator was a moot question after Osborn's testimony in the Newberry elections conspiracy trial.

The Osborn man, Henry A. Montgomery, said he knew Oakman's reputation as a "kisser" but "hook it" as Osborn's testimony to report it to Mr. Osborn and there the matter stood. The defense did, however, get Montgomery to emphasize that Oakman told him he never got a dollar.

Inability of the Rev. Benjamin Jones of Edwardsburg to remember dates and his unwillingness to swear that a letter shown him was "the same piece of paper" he had received from Newberry notifying him of a contribution of \$100 to the church "manse building fund" upset court decorum completely. After Frank C. Dalley had struggled laughingly to get from the witness an answer that would identify the letter sufficiently for the evidence, the defense solved the problem by stating they had no objection to its being read and would furnish the lawyer a letter of solicitation with it if the court wished.

"I can't remember. There are so many things I try to forget," was Mr. Jones' explanation to the court. The letter, besides its reference to the \$100 gift, thanked the clergyman "for your friendly interest in my campaign."

The Rev. Francis J. Plakowski of Lansing had a better memory and told in detail how a Newberry field agent, Benjamin F. Reed, had given him \$35 to "buy gasoline," after the priest had referred him to men who might be interested in the campaign.

Through Arthur S. Heyman, manager of a Detroit film exchange, which distributed the dry land battleship films "Our Navy" through the State, the government completed a chain of evidence showing total payments of \$4,000 to the firm by the Newberry committee.

FORCE IS MARTENS'S REMEDY.
Would French Overthrow of Government, He Tells Senators.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—When a majority is suppressed by a minority it has the right to use force, Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, agent of the Russian Soviet Government, in the course of his examination to-day before a Senate committee.

It means that if the proletariat in this country desired to take over industries, investments and abolish private property they would be justified," asked Wade Ellis of counsel.

"Do you intend to continue addressing and attending meetings where the overthrow of the Government is advocated by men under indictment or sentence for violating its laws?"

"It depends on circumstances. My object was to reach the American people as well as the Government."

TO CELEBRATE RENT VICTORY.
Bronx Tenants to Hold Banquet After Posing Landlords.

Bronx tenants who have put it over on the landlords in the matter of increased rents and evictions are so jubilant they have decided to hold a "victory banquet" at the Hotel Astor early in March. John Paternacki, secretary to District Attorney Francis Martin of Bronx county, is chairman of the dinner committee. Most of the diners are tenants of the Baltimore apartments, Grand Concourse and 1734 street, which Morgenthau Brothers, 233 Broadway, as opponents and won.

According to Mr. Paternacki the landlords were instructed by Justice Peter A. S. to draw up an equitable lease satisfactory to the tenants.

E. J. MAXWELL DIES IN WEST.
Philadelphia Broker Mysteriously Disappeared on February 10.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19.—Edward T. Maxwell, who mysteriously disappeared from this city on February 10, died to-day in a Colorado Springs hospital. A telegram making this announcement was received by Mrs. Maxwell. A previous message on Wednesday stated he was critically ill.

Maxwell, who was connected with a stock brokerage house, left home ostensibly for business, and had not since been seen here.

24th St. Board Indorses "Loop."
Announcement was made yesterday by the Thirty-fourth Street Board of Trade that the Broadway Loop plan, proposed for the city's shopping centre, the board was notified by Henry G. Odyke.

SEES PERIL TO U. S. TRADE IN ECONOMY

Secretary Alexander Criticizes Two-thirds Out in Foreign Expenses.

ALLOWED ONLY \$490,000
Must Close Many Offices and Recall Many Attaches From Abroad.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—American trade with the world is endangered by the action of the appropriations committee in cutting the foreign trade estimates of the Department of Commerce from \$1,653,000 to \$490,000, Secretary Alexander declared to-day in a formal statement.

"This is the most serious blow ever aimed from within at our foreign trade," the Secretary said. The sum allowed is only one-half of the appropriation now used.

"At the very time when our rivals have an almost overwhelming trade advantage in exchange rates this bill proposes to handicap American manufacturers by practically withdrawing the helping hand of the Government. All must on the day when our merchant marine becomes a fact it is virtually announced that foreign trade is not worth supporting."

Abolishes Many Offices.
The effect of the bill, the Secretary asserted, is the abolition of the department's commercial attaches and the reduction in the number of foreign trade commissioners despite the rapidly changing conditions in Europe and the critical reconstruction developments with which they have kept American manufacturers in touch.

District offices must be abolished in New York, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, New Orleans, San Francisco, Seattle, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Dayton, Los Angeles and Portland, Ore.

"The bill aims to abolish the commercial attaches entirely," Secretary Alexander said. "This service was established in 1914 at the request of American business. It has won the approval and respect of American business. As now conducted it costs a trifling and inadequate sum. There is not an office in the service that does not turn in more than the total cost every year in actual business and the contracts obtained by American business through some of the offices run into the millions of dollars. This is taking too much out of the promotion work that can be figured in dollars and cents."

Attaches to Be Withdrawn.
"Twelve commercial attaches—men trained and experienced in commercial and economic matters—who are at present attached to embassies and legations in a dozen foreign capitals, where they are charged specifically and solely with the promotion of American business interests in that critical period, will be withdrawn peremptorily within three months' time and dismissed."

"At least fifteen trade commissioners who are reporting on rapidly changing commercial conditions in European countries from Denmark to Austria will have to be recalled by May 1. For promoting trade in the Far East the cut amounts to fifty per cent."

"If this bill is passed as it stands I shall have to close up almost all the district and cooperative offices in this country. The cutting off of help in the Washington office means decreased efficiency all around. It means smaller 'commerce reports' and delayed trade figures."

"This is not economy. It is downing tools at the most critical stage of our commercial history. If this bill goes through it will cost ten times as much money to put the plant in running order when the gray error of shutting it down has been demonstrated—and it will be demonstrated in a very few months."

Soldiers' Bodies to Arrive Soon.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Bodies of American soldiers buried in England and in the rear of the army zones in France are expected to begin to arrive in this country soon. The War Department announced to-day that seventeen bodies had been disinterred in English cemeteries and were ready for shipment. This will be the first home-ward movement of American soldier dead with the exception of 111 bodies returned last November from Archangel.

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Neighbors Shoots War Hero.
Henry Gagnon, Seeking Daughter, Annals Veteran.

MORRISTOWN, Vt., Feb. 19.—Robert Whittemore, a veteran of the Yankee Division, who was wounded three times and twice cited for bravery, was shot through the left breast to-day. Then, with his mother's assistance, he overpowered Henry Gagnon, his alleged assailant, and tied him in a chair to await the arrival of officers. Gagnon had gone to the Whittemore home when he learned his daughter, Miss Isabel Gagnon, had been there several days. Whittemore was taken to the county jail. Whittemore, who is 31 years of age, was married while he was stationed at Camp Devens. He told friends here recently that he was endeavoring to obtain a divorce from his wife, who was said to be at her home in Jericho. Miss Gagnon, who is 18 years of age, had been staying with Whittemore's mother and father since Saturday without the knowledge of her father, although the Gagnon home is less than a mile away.

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REPORTS MEXICAN SHOT BY AMERICAN
Soldier in Texas Shoots Man Wearing Military Cape.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Col. Gonzalo De La Mata, Mexican Consul at San Antonio, has reported to his Government the shooting of a Mexican citizen by an American soldier under circumstances that the Mexicans say parallel the Wallace case at Tampico, according to official advice from the Mexican capital, which state that the Foreign Office will dispatch a note of protest to the United States.

Emilio Ramirez, a Mexican, wearing a military cape, was alleged to have been halted by Sergeant George Bullas, who asked him if he was in the army. Ramirez did not reply and was shot when he started away, according to the Consul's report. Details of the affair have not reached Washington.

JENKINS CASE BACK TO SUPREME COURT
American Agent Sought Federal Bench Trial.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 19.—As a result of a controversy between the courts of Puebla as to jurisdiction, the case of W. O. Jenkins, United States Consul Agent in that city, is again before the Supreme Court. Following the arrest of Jenkins last November, it was decided by the Supreme Court that the Federal Court in Puebla had authority to try the case.

Prosecutor Mitchell of Puebla has always mentioned the Puebla Criminal Court as the tribunal investigating the case, despite the fact that the Supreme Court's ruling determined the jurisdiction of the Federal Court. Jenkins has been attempting to secure trial before the Federal Court.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—An extensive review of the charges brought against William O. Jenkins by the authorities of the state of Puebla, Mexico, is contained in a statement by Julio Mitchell, Attorney-General of the State. The Puebla official asserted that Jenkins was in the United States a month before he was kidnapped, where he "belonged to a group of interventionists, who reside in the metropolis." Mitchell said: "Investigations in Puebla would show that there was no such kidnapping, but everything was a plot planned in the United States by wicked persons."

"In the event that justice is meted out to Jenkins, as it must necessarily be," the statement said, "the sentence must be a heavy one, since we have an accumulation of grave crimes, all of which will entail a long imprisonment."

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